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URBAN BUSH WOMEN
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Robert Dorf, Treasurer

Robert Dorf is a native New York City resident who then matriculated to Colgate University where he received a BA in English Literature. Upon graduation he was employed by National Westminster Bank NA for small and middle market lending, and then spent 16 years in the international logistics and transportation business where he developed an expertise in shipping, international finance, and import and export regulations.

In 1990 he became a guest lecturer on trade issues at New York University. During his 16 years in the logistics industry, Dorf was both self-employed and worked in the corporate sector. He ultimately held the title of director of sales and marketing for the Swiss domiciled Kuehne & Nagel.

In 1998, after two years of consulting, he followed his interest in community development and the arts and arts policy and enrolled in the Robert J. Milano Graduate School of Management and Urban Policy, receiving a MS in Not for Profit Management in May 2000. From June of 1999-2004 he was the managing director of Dances Patrelle, and from 2004-2010 the managing director of Bessie and MacArthur Award winning Susan Marshall & Company. In 2004 Dorf began an independent consulting practice which he continues to this day.

In addition to his business endeavors he has enjoyed guest lecturing, teaching, and mentoring at several university arts, not for profit, and arts administration programs. These have included the FSU in NYC program in which he is also an adviser to Program Director, Dr. Sally Sommer; The New School University; and the Colgate Immersion in the Arts and the Colgate Immersion in the Humanities programs in which he was a co-leader.

Dorf has concurrently volunteered extensively and has served as a Trustee, Committee Chair, and Officer of Dance/USA, the national service organization for professional dance; director of the Colgate University Alumni Council; member of the Advisory Board of Dance/NYC; director of the Artists Community Federal Credit Union; and officer of the Collegiate School Alumni Association. He has been awarded a Maroon Citation by Colgate University, in recognition of significant and invaluable personal contributions to the University.

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